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SUBJECT: SIKKIM: TRAVEL OF GYALMO AND CHOGYAL

REF: (A) CALCUTTA 1557, 1571, 1583 (NOTAL)

(B) CALCUTTA 1460 (RPTD TO DEPT AND KATHMANDU)

1. THE SIKKIM TRADING AGENT AT CALCUTTA HAS INFORMED THE CONSULATE GENERAL THAT THE GYALMO, ALONG WITH THREE CHILDREN (HER TWO AND PRINCESS YANGCHEN, DAUGHTER OF THE CHOGYAL), PALACE UNDER SECRETARY CUM PROTOCOL OFFICER TASHI PENJORE, AND ONE SERVANT, SPENT ABOUT FIVE HOURS IN CALCUTTA ON AUGUST 16 BEFORE DEPARTING FOR ZURICH WHERE THEY WERE EXPECTED TO STAY FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS. FURTHER TRAVEL PLANS WERE UNCERTAIN, BUT ENTAILED ONE WEEK IN LONDON TO VISIT WITH CROWN PRINCE TENZING AND THEN ON TO NEW YORK.

2. ACCORDING TO BENGALI FRIENDS OF THE ROYAL COUPLE, WHO SAW THE GYALMO WHEN SHE TRANSITED CALCUTTA, HOPE SAID SHE EXPECTED THE CHOGYAL WOULD JOIN HER IN OCTOBER WHEN HE WILL TAKE A MONTH-LONG HOLIDAY.

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3. COMMENT: PARAGRAPH TWO ABOVE WOULD APPEAR TO BELIE A REPORT

WE HEARD RECENTLY TO EFFECT THAT GYALMO PLANNED A DEFINITIVE
SEPARATION.
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